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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**  
**---EXPEDITE PROCEDURE---**  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of

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**PETITION FOR A TWO MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND SECOND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2000, and the Advisory Action mailed October 10, 2000, the Applicant hereby petitions for a two month extension of time to gain consideration of this Request. A check in the amount of \$380 is attached to satisfy the petition fee. If any additional fees are required for granting this petition and entering this request, the Commissioner is authorized to charge attorney's deposit account 23-1951 (Whitham, Curtis & Whitham now McGuireWoods LLP). If additional extensions of time are required, provisional petition therefore is hereby made.

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REMARKS

Claims 1, 4-6, 11-19, and 26-30 remain in the application. All claims have been rejected for obviousness over a combination of U.S. Patent, 3,565,671 to Teeg and U.S. Patent 5,562,154 to Benson, or a combination of Teeg and Benson and U.S. Patent 5,608,414 to Amore. In the first request for reconsideration filed September